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CSIR PROGRAMME ON R & D
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Council for Scientific and Industrial Researchhas drawn up a programme to modernise and strengthen its R&D and demanded more funds therefor during the Ninth Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the number of scientific industrial researches patented by the CSIR during each of the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a),(b)&(c) : Council of Scientific and Industrial Research is undertaking a programme to modernise and upgrade its equipment and R&D facilities in its National Laboratories during the Ninth Five Year Plan.The programme inter alia envisages modernization, up-gradation and replacement of obsolete equipment & facilities. Laboratory-wise Modernisation Plans were formulated and appropriate approvals from the competent authority obtained. As per the CSIR proposalthe Government allocated Rs. 260 crore for undertaking the programme on Modernisation in the Ninth Five Year Plan.

(d) : During the past three years 1998-2001, CSIR had filed around 1100 patents inIndia and 770 patents abroad. It takes around 6 years in India and 2 years abroad for a patent application to be processed. In the same period CSIR had been granted 350 patents in India and 120 patents abroad